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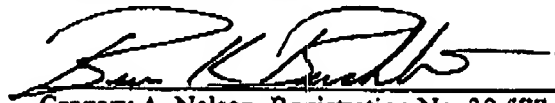
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed August 13, 2004 (Office Action), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the replacement paragraph, which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this submission.

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